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KILL FATHER TO SAVE MOTHER

HARDING TAKES STAND, WILL NOT INSULT SOUTH

Tells Committee He Has Made
Up His Mind, Sink Or Swim

WASHINGTON, August 6.—President Harding has finally torn aside the veil of doubt surrounding his attitude on federal appointments in specific, and the race question in general.

The incident occurred when a committee appeared before the President and invited him to deliver an address before the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in September. The committee was composed of Archibald H. Grimké, Charles C. Smith, Shelby J. Davidson, and J. A. Cobb.

The President indicated that if unable to appear in person, he would see to it that one of his representatives filled the engagement.

In the course of the conversation a member of the committee suggested that it would be helpful if the Black Race in America be informed as to what it might expect from the Harding administration.

Mr. Harding credited with the following statement in reply:

"Gentlemen: I am very thoroughly convinced in my mind as to the policy that I am going to inaugurate with reference to appointments, and that is, I am not going to appoint any colored men to public office in the Southern States, but there will be some appointments in the Northern States. This thing called 'RACE' PREJUDICE you cannot down by hating it, and the only salvation, as I see it, for the colored man in the South, is to FALL IN THE RANKS BEHIND THE WHITE LEADERSHIP until he can, acting through southern legislatures, work out his destiny. THIS IS MY POLICY, AND I AM GOING TO FOLLOW IT. LIVE OR DIE, SINK OR SWIM."

WARN PUBLIC AGAINST BOGUS COLLECTORS FOR TULSA RELIEF

NEW YORK CITY, August 6.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, has announced that the receipts to date of its fund for the relief and legal defense of the Tulsa riot victims amounted to \$2,248.87.

In connection with the announcement that funds were being distributed through a local committee of the Association in conjunction with the recognized Tulsa Colored Citizens Committee, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People issued a warning to the public that frauds were being committed by people traveling over the country and soliciting funds, alleging that they were working for the relief of the Tulsa riot victims.

SOUTHERNERS MAIL BOMB TO MINISTER

MOBILE, Ala., Aug. 6.—The Rev. C. First Johnson, pastor of the St. Louis St. Baptist Church, of this city, was the recipient of an infernal machine through the mails last Friday.

Upon inspection postoffice officials announced that the infernal machine was so constructed that when opened, matches would ignite and light a quantity of black powder.

This is the second infernal machine sent to Mobile ministers within a week, the first being sent to the Rev. A. Nettles, of Broad St.

10TH CAVALRYMEN HARDING'S ESCORT

PILGRIM, Mass., Aug. 6.—Troop C, of the 10th U. S. Cavalry, galloped into this city from Ft. Ethan Allen, Vt., to serve as personal escort to President Harding as he delivers the 300th anniversary address of the landing of the Pilgrims.

PLAYS PEACEMAKER, GETS BITTEN ON ARM

Peacemakers have always played in a thankless role. Especially so did Henry Jarden, a barber, 2965 State St., when, on July 31, he attempted to separate Abbs Singleton from Miss Alberta Brooks, whom Singleton was giving a sound thrashing. They both turned on him, and he was subsequently taken to the Iroquois Hospital, badly bitten about the arms.

ESCAPE DEATH BY MIRACLE IN AUTO CRASH

Doctor And Society Girls Climb
Through Car Windows
When Ford Is Splintered

Four people miraculously escaped death Thursday afternoon, when an automobile was wedged between two cars at 46th St. and Indiana Ave.

They were Dr. and Mrs. James Lee, 202 E. 35th St., and Misses Helen and Melba Perry, well known Chicago society girls.

The automobile, a Ford, was being driven east on 46th St., at Indiana Ave. A south-bound Indiana Ave. car was standing at the intersection, when a north-bound Indiana Ave. car struck the auto, swerving it to the north, and jammed it into the scant two feet between the cars.

The automobile was telescoped and completely demolished. The occupants of the automobile were so closely pinned in the wreckage between the cars, that their only possible method of abandoning the wreck was through the windows of the southbound car.

Wrecking cars found it impossible to extricate the automobile from between the cars. Finally, after much pulling in opposite directions, one car against the other, the cars were separated.

The remarkable feature to the accident was that no one was injured. Dr. Lee was slightly bruised about the legs.

CHOIR SINGS 'CROWN HIM,' AFTER JACK JOHNSON PREACHES

NEW YORK CITY, Aug. 6.—Jack Johnson was given a royal reception at the Baptist Tabernacle, 125th St. and Madison Ave., last week when he appeared there upon the occasion of a rally for the church.

During the reception he assumed the role of preacher, and said, among other things:

"The Bible says to a man, 'Take a wife.' It doesn't say take a black wife, a Chinaman or any one else. Why should the world hate me for marrying the woman I love? I am sure I have lived up to all rules any loving husband would observe."

"I want to let you know," he said, his shaven head shining, "that the Bible teaches every one to treat the other as he wishes to be treated. Let any one who has not sinned arise."

Jack glanced about, but no one ventured to stand up. He proceeded:

"If I have committed a sin, why not help me instead of trample on me? I don't profess to be a Christian but my heart does. I have never done a wrong to my fellow man. My religion is, if I can do no good, to do no bad to my fellow man. Thank God, Jack Johnson has broad shoulders, a good heart and smiles in his troubles. And I have traveled the world around, and nothing exists like it does in this country. Nature teaches equality of color. I hope to see my race have that equality. My motto is to learn to forget and to forgive. May God bless you all."

The organ tuned up and the choir sang "Crown Him." The pastor thereupon captured the floor once more and kept his position until Jack Johnson was escorted back to his automobile. Meanwhile Max Schnable, Deputy Revenue Collector, had arrived to gather in 10 per cent of the fees charged by the church authorities.

Society Girl Who Miraculously Escaped Death



MISS MELBA PERRY

WEALTHY PULLMAN PORTER'S WILL IS DECLARED FALSE

SUFFOLK, Va., Aug. 6.—After an all day session in Suffolk City Circuit Court, a document, brought into court by Ashlie D. Sheppard, son of Andrew Sheppard, purporting to be the last will and testament of Andrew Sheppard, was declared a forgery.

Andrew Sheppard, who recently died, had for many years been a Pullman porter, and is said to have amassed a fortune of more than \$15,000.

Ashlie Sheppard, who attempted to gain possession of his father's wealth, was contested by Andrew B. Sheppard, son of the deceased by a former marriage.

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HUBBY MUTINIES; WIFE PUSHES HIM OVER- BOARD INTO ALLEY

James Fitzpatrick, 50 years of age, 3636 Indiana Ave., after many years of peace upon matrimonial seas, became insubordinate late last week. His conduct so enraged Mrs. Fitzpatrick, that she promptly pushed him overboard into the alley below.

Fitzpatrick landed on the brick pavement two stories down, and his skull was fractured.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick has been ordered into chains.

WASHINGTON HIGH 'PROF' FIRED FOR MISCONDUCT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 6.—On the strength of charges preferred by Miss Marguerite Robinson, Prof. James L. Chestnut, of the Dunbar High School faculty, was found guilty and dismissed from the teaching corps.

The charges were filed against the professor April 25, alleging that the misconduct occurred on Feb. 4. He was suspended from the faculty on May 31.

Prof. Chestnut is a member of a well known Washington family, his mother having been quite prominent in the Parents' League.

MADE W. VA. LIBRARIAN

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 6.—Arthur Jackson, of this city, has been made librarian of the Law Library, of the state of West Virginia, at a salary of \$3,000.

WHEN HUBBY LEFT, HIS UNCLE BEGAN PULLING THE COVERS OFF

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 6.—Joseph Pratt, 41, 513 Hoffman St., was arrested last week on complaint of the wife of his nephew, Mrs. Jeanette Fisher, 19, who, with her husband, Mrs. Fisher claims that last Wednesday morning about 3:00 a. m., during the absence of her husband, Pratt came to her room while she was asleep and pulled the covers from her. She said that after telling him she would tell her husband, Jackson went to his room.

Mrs. Fisher then dressed and went to the police station and laid charges against Pratt. She claims that this is his second offense.

BAND LEADER GIVEN COAT OF TAR BY TEXANS

DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 6.—Two new outrages were committed by masked men in Texas last week.

Gordon Harrison, a well known musician, orchestra leader at a dancing pavilion at Spring Lake, a municipal pleasure ground, was carried off and tarred by masked men.

Shorty Brown, white, a waiter at Goose Neck, near Houston, was taken from a restaurant by six masked men, carried to the ball park, and whipped with a rope. He was then tarred and feathered, and ordered to leave the community.

SHOOTS ERRANT LOVER WHO BREAKS ENGAGEMENT

After Jesse Adams had secured the promise of Miss Gladys McCarty, 2933 South Park Ave., to become his bride, he almost bankrupted himself buying jewelry, furniture, and household goods.

Subsequently, however, Miss McCarty saw fit to change her mind. She broke the engagement. Goaded by jealousy, disappointment and wounded pride, Adams took a gun early Saturday morning, and going to her home, shot her three times. Her wounds are painful, but not fatal.

Adams has been arrested.

CATCH DOCTOR FORGING SICK, DEATH CLAIMS

Georgia Insurance Company
Uncerths Big Get-Rich-
Quick Scheme

LUMPKIN, Ga., August 6.—Attorney Hollis Fort, of Americus, has taken out warrants against Dr. O. A. Lockhart, a physician of this city, and T. J. Coleman, an insurance man of Americus, charging them with forging scores of sick claims.

The method of operation, it is said, was for Dr. Lockhart to forge sick benefit claims, turn them over to Coleman, who properly endorsed them and forwarded them to the office, deducting the amounts shown on the claims in remitting money collected by him in premiums for the company as its district agent. Such claims when properly approved are accepted by the home office as vouchers, it being the custom to permit the agents to settle sick claims upon presentation of a physician's certificate.

Sick claims were said to have been frequent from Richmond, Lumpkin, and Plains, particularly the Stewart county towns. Finally they began to pour in from Richmond at a rate that aroused the suspicion of the home office, with a wide variety of diseases and ailments named which were not generally prevalent. An inspector was sent to Stewart county to make an investigation. He called on a number of persons whose names were signed to sick benefit certificates and to whom the claims were supposed to have been paid. In no instance, according to Inspector Duckett, was one found who had made sick claims or who had been visited by Lockhart, or who had signed the claims on which payments were made.

Dr. Lockhart was called to Americus for a conference. He denied any irregularity. But later, when the investigation drew to a close and the evidence began to pile up it is said, Coleman decided to turn informer on an agreement of immunity, which agreement is said to have been made, and the prosecution then centered on the physician.

ROLL OFF \$50,000 IN BOOZE AS BANDITS HOLD CROWD

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 6.—Liquors valued at \$50,000 were stolen from a warehouse here last week by twenty men, twelve of whom were white. Eight men rolled the barrels out of the warehouse into a waiting truck while twelve white men held the crowds back with pistols. Traffic was stopped, and those who poked their heads out of windows were told to take them in.

Horrible Alleys!!

The alleys of the southside have gotten to the point now that they are a menace to public health. Garbage and trash has been allowed to stand in many places the debris resembles small mountains. Flies gather in swarms and form the last link in the spreading of germs and breeding of disease. The alleys under the Elevated are strewn with tin cans, boxes and all manner of garbage and ashes. Complaints do not seem to have any effect. The situation now demands the attention of the Commissioner of Public Health if the health of the citizens of the southside is to be safeguarded.

SHOOT DOWN STEPFATHER FOR DEATH THREAT

Terror-Stricken Mother Hides
All Night Under Bed
To Escape Death

SPARTANSBURG, S. C., Aug. 6.—Virgil and Melvin Scruggs, 18 and 14 years of age respectively, have been lodged in jail on charges of murder, following the killing here late last week of their stepfather, Tiller Patterson.

The coroner immediately impanelled a jury, but no testimony was taken, because there were no eye witnesses, and because the boys admitted their act, and voluntarily surrendered.

Threatened to Kill Mother
Patterson, who was the second husband of the Scruggs boys' mother, had become separated from her, and on her refusal to live with him, had threatened her life.

Thursday Patterson went to the house with the avowed intention of making good this threat. Seeing him approaching the house at a distance, Mrs. Patterson hid under the bed.

Sleeps Under Bed
Not finding her, Patterson slept all night in the bed, while Mrs. Patterson slept under the bed. When he left next morning he took a shotgun with him, saying he was going to shoot her the next time he saw her. He hid the gun under a house.

The boys followed him, found the gun, and that night when he went for it, they shot and killed him.

DR. C. T. WALKER DIES AT AUGUSTA

AUGUSTA, Ga., Aug. 6.—Rev. Charles T. Walker, one of the foremost ministers of the Baptist Church in America, passed away at his home here Friday. The funeral is to be held Thursday afternoon of this week.

Dr. Walker was vice-president of the National Baptist Convention of the United States; vice-president of the Georgia Baptist State Convention, and pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Augusta, Ga., for the past forty years. He founded the Colored Men's Branch Y. M. C. A., One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, New York, and also founded the colored Y. M. C. A. in Augusta, and was president of the latter organization from its founding, some nineteen years ago, to the time of his death. He has traveled extensively in Europe and the Holy Land, and was the author of a number of books of travel as well as sermons. His church in Augusta was the place of worship of hundreds of Northern winter tourists, among them former President Taft and John D. Rockefeller.

PUBLIC LIFE APPOINTS NEW SUPERINTENDENT

W. H. Montgomery Succeeds J. E. McDonald. (White), as Head of Company's Offices at 3902 State Street

Monday morning, August 1st, a new career in the insurance field was begun by W. H. Montgomery, formerly assistant superintendent of the Public Life Insurance Company's branch office, when he was promoted to the position of superintendent, Wednesday, July 27.

The story of the appointment can be best told in the following letter from Alfred Clover, General Manager and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the



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